



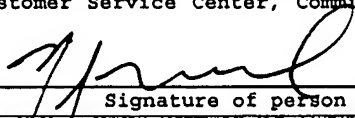
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PATENT APPLICATION  
Serial No. 10/086,584

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REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF  
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TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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Applicants submit for the above-referenced Application a  
Request for Correction of the Official Filing Receipt mailed

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March 28, 2002. The official filing date is incorrectly indicated to be March 1, 2002 and is in error. The correct filing date of this Application is February 28, 2002 as shown on the enclosed copy of the filing receipt and as evidenced by a copy of the Express Mail Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the first page of the Application, and a copy of the U.S. Postal-stamped Express Mail Receipt, both enclosed herewith. Please note that the stamp from the United States Postal Service on the Express Mail Receipt illustrates the correct filing date of February 28, 2002. As such, Applicants respectfully request that a corrected filing receipt be issued.

Applicants also submit a Response to Notice to File Corrected Application Papers. The Notice to File Corrected Application Papers provides a two month period in which to respond. Applicants have submitted herewith a Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136 along with a check in the amount of \$460 to cover the extension fee for a small entity, which Applicants are entitled.

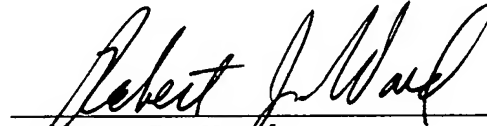
The Notice to File Corrected Application Papers requests substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 be filed. Attached herewith are fifteen pages of formal drawings (Figs. 1-47), along with the Part 2 copy of the Notice to File Corrected

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Application Papers. Applicants respectfully request acceptance of these drawings.

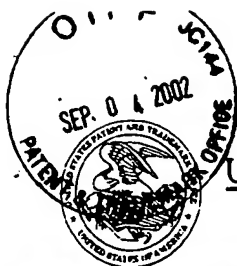
Applicants note that they qualify for Small Entity status. Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING  
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## NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

*Filing Date Granted*

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
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  - drawings submitted to the Office are not electronically reproducible. Drawing sheets must be submitted on paper which is flexible, strong, white, smooth, non-shiny, and durable (see 37 CFR 1.84(e));

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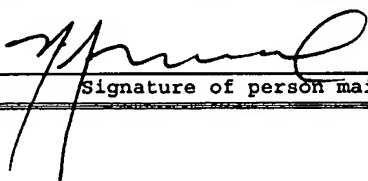
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Office;

- Transmittal Letter;
- Request for Correction of Official Filing Receipt and Response to Notice to File Corrected Application Papers;
- a corrected Filing Receipt showing 2/28/02 filing date;
- a copy of the Express Mail receipt of 2/28/02;
- a copy of the first page of the patent application that includes a Certificate of Express Mailing of 2/28/02;
- Fifteen (15) pages of formal drawings (Figs. 1-47);
- Part 2 - copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers;
- Check in the amount of \$460; and
- Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136

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